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Dear Parents/Carers

Relationship and Sex Education (RSE)

On Monday 30th September, as part of the PSHE and Science curriculum, the Year 5 pupils are scheduled to attend a talk about puberty. The class will be split, with the girls first covering physical changes, menstruation and sanitary products. Following this the boys will have a shorter session to explain physical changes for boys and girls. It is important that all understand the physical changes affecting each other and to ensure facts are given rather than rumour and hearsay. The session will be led by Mrs Young, our Pastoral Support Worker and PSHE Subject Leader.

During the first half of the Autumn term, Year 5's PSHE lessons will explore puberty in the context of how we grow and change. This unit of RSE is compulsory to aid children's preparation for puberty and is part of a wider programme of relationship, health and sex education. Further RSE sessions will take place in the summer term of year 6 and you will be notified of these next year. If you would like to see our PSHE and RSHE policy, please follow this link link to pshe/rshe policy https://www.barkislandcofeschool.org.uk/serve_file/22919180 or find it on our website.

Please be assured that the content of RSE is completely age appropriate and handled in a sensitive manner. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Sarah Wilde
Year 5 Class Teacher

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